

LEGISLATURE OF VIRGINIA.

Tuesday, January 13, 1847.

The amendment of the House of Delegates to certain laws, &c., was agreed to. The Speaker laid before the Senate a communication from the Governor in regard to certain provisions to be made in relation to the militia...

HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

A message was received from the Senate that they had passed the bill for the purpose of holding a separate election in each of the counties of Botetourt and Southampton...

They have also passed the bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Manakin Iron Manufacturing Company, in the county of Gloucester..."

Mr. BURWELL, from the Committee on Schools and Colleges, presented the following bill: "An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to regulate the works done and finishing of goods...'"

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THE ENQUIRER.

RICHMOND, VA., Thursday Morning, January 14, 1847.

NATIONAL FINANCES.

The Whig press chafes over the resolution of the House of Representatives, that it is expedient to lay a duty upon tea and coffee, to meet the emergencies of the war with Mexico. So fondly do they doat upon the Tariff of 1812, that they refuse to do in any measure which may be proposed to strengthen the credit of the Government...

Why, then, should we suddenly adopt the whole Whig policy, and throw the business of the country into new trouble and confusion? To carry on the war with vigor, the Government must have means to pay for its operations...

An objection is raised to this tax on tea and coffee, that it will operate unjustly upon the poor, both rich and poor consuming the same amount of these articles. But in the extracts from Mr. Clay's speech in favor of the ad valorem principle, quoted by us last Fall, he takes the case of coffee as a strong proof of the injustice of specific duties...

We are happy to cite a leading Whig paper in Virginia, the Lynchburg Virginian, in aid of our views. That paper, referring to the "respectful letter" of Secretary Walker to the chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means, says that the Secretary has "discharged his duty, and the consequences of failure to impose the duties upon the Representatives of the people."

But we think we will not ask in vain, when we call upon Virginia to extend her loving care to her sons who are from her bosom to the field of battle, to do it need, for the honor of her name, her name and the honor of her sons, are dearer than money.

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His death throws an additional duty upon the Legislature of Virginia. They are now engaged in preparing the bill to elect one Senator to the United States in place of him who pronounced the affecting tribute of this day in the Senate Chamber over the memory of Penneybacker...

Mr. Keyes of Deetham said he should vote to refer the resolution, but sooner than vote any money which would go to maintain the "inimical" war with Mexico, he would cut off his right hand.

Mr. Bird of Exboro' also spoke of the "infernal slave-holding Mexican war," got up by our national administration. The whole subject was then laid on the table by the Whig Legislature, 171 to 61.

They will become marked men, and their names will go down to posterity for the eloquent and moving finger of scorn to point at. They will be placed on the same record as their prototypes—the federalists of the Revolution.

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Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Members of Congress (\$750,000), Contingent (150,000), Officers (39,000), Senators, contingent (75,000).

In the House of Representatives, on Tuesday, James McDowell, Esq., announced the death of Senator Penneybacker in the following beautiful language:

I rise, Mr. Speaker, to perform for an honored and valued colleague, lately representing our native and common State in the other branch of this national assembly, the same sad and melancholy eulogy which he himself performed in his place less than a year ago for my own kinsman and immediate predecessor here. I rise to say—

What a noble and illustrious man was he! He was a man of noble and illustrious talents, who heard me, and who would seat a pang to the heart of thousands who do not—Isaac S. PENNEYBACKER, one of the Senators from Virginia, is no more!

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